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November 4, 2003

D. Wayne Hedberg
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Utah Department of Natural Resources
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RE: Nielson Sandstone Mine NOI – Current Permit number M/023/012

Dear Mr. Hedberg:

Ash Grove Cement is pleased to present to you the final copy of our Notice of Intention to Commence Revised Mining Operations for our Nielson Sandstone Mine. As requested in your October 7, 2003 letter, we have included two copies of the corrected plan. The Reclamation Contract, the Surety Bond, and the Legal Description for the Intention will be submitted on or before November 10, 2003.

We appreciate your cooperativeness and assistance throughout the mine planning and permitting process. Please do not hesitate to call me at (435) 857-1208 if you have any questions or concerns regarding the final copies.

Sincerely,



Aaron Bufmack
Assistant Plant Engineer
Ash Grove Cement, Leamington, UT

Encl.: (2) Copies of Notice of Intention to Commence Revised Mining Operations –
Nielson Sandstone Mine

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